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SUBJECT: US-JAPAN COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES IN HEALTH: FOLLOW-UP VISIT
TO US

REF: TOKYO 11426

1. SCICOUNS HAS HAD FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH TSUNASHIMA ON PLANS FOR FOLLOW-UP VISIT IN FOOD AND DRUG AREA. TSUNASHIMA STATED THAT VICE MINISTER KATO HAS NOW DEFINITELY DECIDED NOT TO ATTEND, SINCE PROBABLE SWITCH IN HEALTH MINISTER THIS FALL REQUIRES HIS PRESENCE IN TOKYO. JAPANESE DELEGATION WILL CONSIST OF FOUR TECHNICAL PERSONNEL, HEADED EITHER BY PHARMACEUTICAL AFFAIRS BUREAU DIRECTOR GENERAL RENZO MATSUSHITA, OR ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS BUREAU DIRECTOR GENERAL RYUJI ISHIMARU. TSUNASHIMA RECONFIRMED THAT HIS OWN PARTICIPATION UP IN AIR BECAUSE OF FINANCIAL RESTRICTIONS, AND NOTED TQT HIS PROBLEM WOULD BE EASED IF INVITATION LETTER REFERS TO HIM BY NAME IN CONTEXT OF TALKS ON FUTURE COOPERATION. IF HE ATTENDS, TSUNASHIMA ALSO IS ANXIOUS TO DISCUSS HEALTH INSURANCE WITH APPROPRIATE HEW PERSONNEL.

2. TSUNASHIMA EXPLAINED THAT MHW PREFERENCE FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 21 IS DICTATED BY FACT THAT D.G. OF ENVIRONMENTAL BUREAU ISHIMARU IS SCHEDULED TO ATTEND FOOD ADDITIVES MEETING IN GENEVA WEEK OF OCTOBER 14, AND OTHER OFFICIALS ARE SCHEDULED TO
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MAKE SCANDINAVIAN TRIP. PLEASE ADVISE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

WHETHER OCTOBER 21 DATE ACCEPTABLE, OR, ALTERNATIVELY, WHETHER
HEW WISHES TO PRESS FOR OCTOBER 14.
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